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1. The textile factories in Limbach and Oberfrohna, Saxony, received orders from the SMA for 50,000 dozen ladies' silk stockings in early September 1946. These stockings were all small size; the largest size is German size 32.
2. The leading firm for military headgear in the Leipzig district, John & Holzhäuser, Leipzig, delivered 500,000 military caps for summer wear to the Russians up to 30 September 1946, as well as 65,000 caps for winter use. Sub-contractors of this firm are Bruno Kern and Ernst Kern of Lunzenau, Saxony, and two other firms in Burgeisdorf, Saxony. In addition to the above, the latter firms also produced 1,000 visor caps up to 30 September 1946.
3. The leading firm for uniforms, Saxonia Textil-Vertrieb, headed by Dr. Othard Schütze, a well known Nazi, delivered 800,000 pants and "kasacks" up to the end of September.
4. Leipziger Tricotagenfabrik, Lützner Strasse, delivered 300,000 pieces of heavy underwear up to the end of September 1946. The raw materials for these came from the Zellwolle A.G. at Schwarza. The raw materials for this firm come either from Zellwolle A.G. or directly from Russian sources. For instance, in the months of July and August, the Russians sent 4,500 tons of wool and 20,000 tons of cotton to be manufactured. The finished goods were to be sent exclusively to Russia. These materials arrived at Stettin from Russia and were then sent to Riesa for distribution through the Einkaufsgenossenschaft Deutscher Wollhändler which has its headquarters in Leipzig.
5. Raw materials from Zellwolle A.G., Schwarza, were also sent to the following firms:

Baumwollspinnerei A.G., Leipzig
Kammgarn Spinnerei, Leipzig
Baumwollkammerei A.G. (sic), Leipzig
Stöhr & Co. A.G., Leipzig
Rentzsch & Co., Gera, Thuringia
Bardzki & Oeser, Gera, Thuringia
Chevalier (sic), Reichenbach
Hermann Gubelt A.G., Crimmitschau
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